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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement (paper no. 5) dated July 19, 2001. The Examiner restricted the application into four separate inventions:

- Claims 1-10, drawn to a polynucleotide encoding DC-STAMP and DSP-1 fragments, vectors, and cell lines comprising same, and recombinant production of protein, classified in class 536, subclass 23.5, class 435, subclasses 320.1, 325, and 71.1, respectively.
- Claims 11-15, drawn to a DC-STAMP and DSP-1 binding compound 11. comprising an antibody binding site, classified in class 530, subclass 387.1.
- Claims 16-18, drawn to a DC-STAMP and DSP-1 polypeptides, classified in III. class 530, subclass 350.
- Claims 19-20, drawn to a method of affecting cell physiology with DC-STAMP or N. DSP-1 agonists or antagonists, classified in class 435, subclass 375.

Applicants provisionally elect Group II, Claims 11-15, whose claims are drawn to a DC-STAMP and DSP-1 binding compound comprising an antibody binding site, classified in class 530, subclass 387.1.

Applicants will address the issue of inventorship for the elected claims and amend inventorship appropriately if the elected restriction is made final.

Applicants reserve the right to file subsequent applications claiming the nonelected subject matter and do not waive any of their rights or abandon any non-elected subject matter. Since Applicants have fully and completely reponded to the Restriction Requirement and have made the required election, this application is now in order for early action.

If the Examiner believes that a telephonic conference would aid the prosecution of this case in any way, please call the undersigned.

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